

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Esther Salas
v. : Mag. No. 08-7091-04
VIMAL PATEL : ORDER FOR CONTINUANCE

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Christopher J. Christie, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by Sandra L. Moser, Assistant U.S. Attorney), and defendant Vimal Patel (by K. Anthony Thomas, Esq.), for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter for a period of 60 days to allow the parties to conduct plea negotiations and attempt to finalize a plea agreement, and the defendant being aware that he has the right to have the matter submitted to a grand jury within thirty days of the date of his arrest pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(b), and the defendant having consented to the continuance and waived such right, and for good cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

(1) Plea negotiations are currently in progress, and both the United States and the defendant desire additional time to negotiate a plea agreement, which would render any grand jury

proceedings and any subsequent trial of this matter unnecessary;
and

(2) Pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

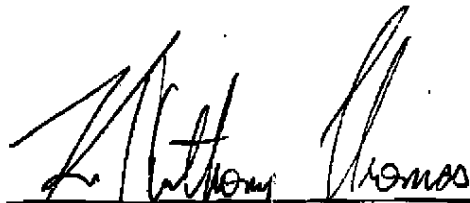
IT IS, therefore, on this 28th day of August, 2008

ORDERED that this action be, and it hereby is, continued for a period of 60 days from August 24, 2008; and it is further

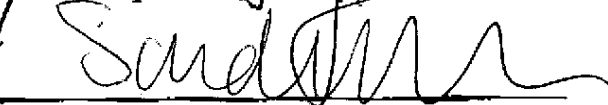
ORDERED that the period from August 24, 2008 through November 24, 2008 shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974.



HON. ESTHER SALAS
United States Magistrate Judge



K. ANTHONY THOMAS, ESQ.
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